

**ROSCOMMON COUNTY COUNCIL**

**PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACT, 2000 (as amended)**

**SECTION 5 - DECLARATION ON DEVELOPMENT AND EXEMPTED DEVELOPMENT**

**NOTIFICATION OF DECISION**

**REGISTERED POST**

Principal,  
Clooncagh national School,  
Strokestown,  
Co. Roscommon.

Reference Number: DED 648

Application Received: 17<sup>th</sup> January 2024

Name of Applicants: Clooncagh National School

Agent: Sportsworld Netting Ltd, Aughtim, Scariff, Co. Clare.

**WHEREAS** a question has arisen as to whether the erection of boundary nettings on two sides of the school yard at Clooncagh National School, Strokestown, Co. Roscommon., is or is not development and is or is not exempted development:

**AND WHEREAS** Roscommon County Council, in considering this application, had regard particularly to:

- (a) Sections 2, 3, 4 and 5 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended.
- (b) Articles 6 and 9 of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001, as amended.
- (c) Class 33 of Part 1 of Schedule 2 of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001, as amended.
- (d) The record forwarded to Roscommon County Council in accordance with subsection (6)(c) of Section 5 of the Planning and Development Acts 2000 as amended.
- (e) The planning history of the site.

**AND WHEREAS** Roscommon County Council has concluded that:

- (a) The works to erect boundary netting on two sides of the school yard at Clooncagh National School at Clooncagh, Strokestown, Roscommon is development.
- (b) The works falls within Class 33 of Part 1 of Schedule 2 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 as amended. There are no conditions/limitations applicable and therefore I have concluded that the proposed development is exempted development.
- (c) The proposed development individually and in combination with other plans or projects would not be likely to have a significant effect on any European site and that the requirement for AA or EIAR does not apply with respect to the current case.

**NOW THEREFORE:**

By virtue of the powers vested in me by the Local Government Acts 1925 – 2019 and Section 5(2)(a) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) and having considered the various submissions and reports in connection with the application described above, it is hereby declared that the said development **to erect boundary nettings on two sides of the school yard at Clooncagh National School, Strokestown, Co. Roscommon. is development that is exempted development** as defined within the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) and associated Regulations.

**Signed on behalf of the Council:**



Alan O'Connell,  
Senior Executive Planner,  
Planning.

**Date: 11<sup>th</sup> March 2024**

**Planner's Report on application under  
Section 5 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended)**

<b>Reference Number</b>	<b>DED648</b>
<b>Proposal:</b>	Application for a Declaration under Section 5 of the Planning & Development Act, 2000, as amended, regarding Exempted Development to erect boundary netting on two sides of the school yard at Clooncagh National School, Strokestown, Co. Roscommon
<b>Name of Applicant:</b>	Clooncagh National School
<b>Location of Development:</b>	Clooncagh, Strokestown, Co. Roscommon
<b>Recommendation:</b>	<b>Is Exempted Development</b>

**Note** – This report should be read in conjunction with the previous planner's report on file that requested further information.

<b>Description of Development</b>	<b>Conditions and Limitations</b>
<i>Development for amenity or recreational purposes</i> <b>CLASS 33</b> <i>Development consisting of the laying out and use of land—</i> <i>(a) as a park, private open space or ornamental garden,</i> <i>(b) as a roadside shrine, or</i> <i>(c) for athletics or sports (other than golf or pitch and putt or sports involving the use of motor vehicles, aircraft or firearms), where no charge is made for admission of the public to the land.</i>	<b>Conditions &amp; Limitations:</b> The area of any such shrine shall not exceed 2 square metres, the height shall not exceed 2 metres above the centre of the road opposite the structure and it shall not be illuminated.

**Assessment of information received:**

**The following further information was requested on 14<sup>th</sup> February 2024:**

1. Specification of proposed netting
2. Suitable photographic records of similar projects as they appear when constructed.
3. Please confirm what, if any, lighting is proposed to serve the upgraded facility, and whether it will be made available for public use.

**Response:** Adequate specification details have been submitted along with photographic records of similar constructed projects, which, it is stated are higher than what is proposed as part of this project. No lighting is proposed to serve the development, and the facility will be made available to the public subject to insurance being in place etc.

Having regard to the above, I am satisfied that the general question raised in this referral can be determined as follows:

- The works are development
- The works to erect boundary netting on two sides of the school yard at Clooncagh National School at Clooncagh, Strokestown, Roscommon falls within Class 33 of Part 1 of Schedule 2 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 as amended. There are no conditions/limitations applicable to the proposal and therefore I have concluded that the proposed development is exempted development.

**Recommendation**

**WHEREAS** a question has arisen as to whether to erect boundary netting on two sides of the school yard at Clooncagh National School at Clooncagh, Strokestown, Roscommon is or is not development and is or is not exempted development, I have considered this question, and I have had regard particularly to –

- (a) Sections 2, 3, 4 and 5 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended
- (b) Articles 6 and 9 of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001, as amended
- (c) Class 33 of Part 1 of Schedule 2 of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001, as amended
- (d) The record forwarded to Roscommon County Council in accordance with subsection (6)(c) of Section 5 of the Planning and Development Acts 2000 as amended.
- (e) The planning history of the site

**AND WHEREAS I have concluded that**

- The works to to erect boundary netting on two sides of the school yard at Clooncagh National School at Clooncagh, Strokestown, Roscommon is development.
- The works falls within Class 33 of Part 1 of Schedule 2 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 as amended. There are no conditions/limitations applicable and therefore I have concluded that the proposed development is exempted development.
- The proposed development individually and in combination with other plans or projects would not be likely to have a significant effect on any European site and that the requirement for AA or EIAR does not apply with respect to the current case.

**AND WHEREAS** I have concluded that the proposal to erect boundary netting on two sides of the school yard at Clooncagh National School at Clooncagh, Strokestown, Roscommon is exempted development and I recommend that a declaration to that effect should be issued to the applicant.

Signed  
Executive Planner

Date: 11<sup>th</sup> March 2024

*Max*  
11-03-24

## Carmel Curley

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**From:** Carmel Curley  
**Sent:** Monday 19 February 2024 11:52  
**To:** Clooncagh Ns  
**Subject:** RE: DED 648 - Further Information Request

Hi [REDACTED]

Thanks your email.

At present we have received no email from Sportsworld Netting for same. If you could contact them to sent it over again please.

Regards,

Carmel

**From:** Clooncagh Ns <clooncaghschool@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday 19 February 2024 11:37  
**To:** Carmel Curley <CCurley@roscommoncoco.ie>  
**Subject:** Re: DED 648 - Further Information Request

Hi Carmel,

I am responding to your request for further information. I understand that Sportsworld Netting have sent you pictures and specifications.

I can confirm that no lighting is proposed.

This facility will not be made available for general public use. However, if a group requests to use it permission may be given so long as appropriate insurance is in place.

Kind regards,

[REDACTED]  
Clooncagh NS

On Wed, Feb 14, 2024 at 10:04 AM Carmel Curley <[CCurley@roscommoncoco.ie](mailto:CCurley@roscommoncoco.ie)> wrote:

Dear [REDACTED],

I refer to your DED Application Reference No: 648 – please see attached Further Information Request.

Regards,



Carmel

Carmel Curley, Assistant Staff Officer,

Planning Department, Roscommon County Council,

Aras an Chontae, Roscommon, Co. Roscommon, F42 VR98

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MAP LOCATION



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## Carmel Curley

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**From:** Info (Sports World Netting) <info@sportsworldnetting.com>  
**Sent:** Monday 19 February 2024 12:45  
**To:** Carmel Curley  
**Cc:** Clooncagh Ns  
**Subject:** FW: Att: [REDACTED] Clooncagh National School. Ref: DED 648  
**Attachments:** Net Specification, 50 mm.doc; 2ee0b8c4-91e3-4602-b592-ab4f032fb45a.JPG; Clonakilty 035.JPG

Dear Carmel,

Please find specification of net + photos of netting structures attached.

Regards,

[REDACTED]  
Sportsworld Netting Ltd.,  
Aughrim,  
Scariff,  
Co. Clare.  
061 921851  
V94 XW97

**From:** Info (Sports World Netting)  
**Sent:** 15 February 2024 15:18  
**To:** customerservice@roscommoncoco.ie  
**Subject:** Att: [REDACTED] Clooncagh National School. Ref: DED 648

Dear Mr. O'Connell,

With reference to your letter dated 14<sup>th</sup> February 2024, please find specification of the proposed netting attached.

I have also attached some photos of similar structures installed. These photos shows structures which are higher that what is proposed at Clooncagh School.

Sportsworld Netting is not involved in the supply and installation of lighting.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Yours faithfully,

[REDACTED],

Sportsworld Netting Ltd.,  
Aughrim,  
Scariff,  
Co. Clare.  
061 921851  
V94 XW97

# SPORTSWORLD

## NETTING LIMITED

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[www.sportsworldnetting.com](http://www.sportsworldnetting.com)

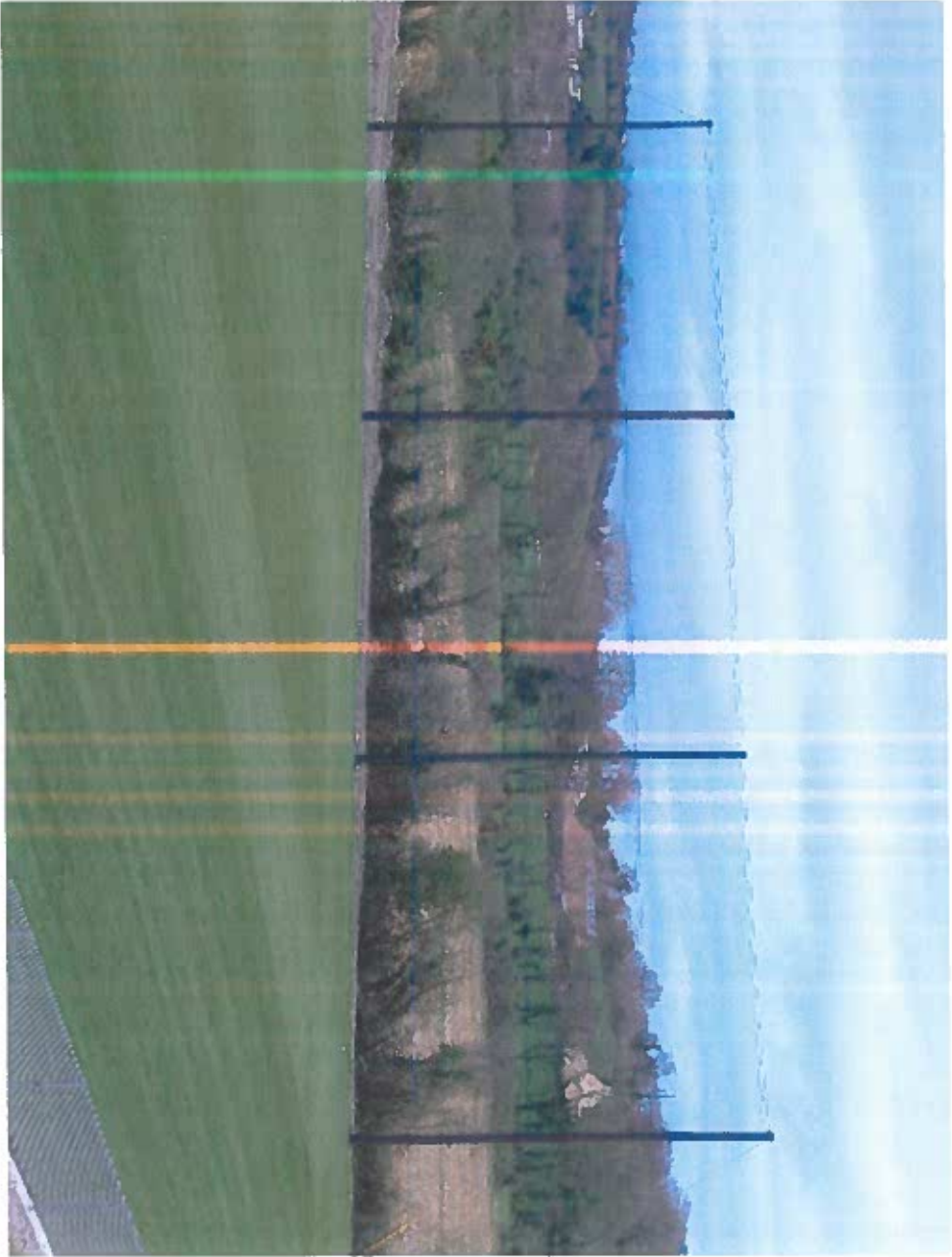
Fax: 00 353 61 922921  
Mobile: 00 353 86 2520663

### Net Specification Sheet:

<b>Product:</b>	Ball Stop Netting
<b>Material:</b>	High Density Polyethylene
<b>Mesh Size:</b>	50 mm square, 1.8 mm strand
<b>Geometry:</b>	Square Mesh Construction
<b>Cord:</b>	15/20 twisted
<b>Breaking Strain or Cord:</b>	97 kilos
<b>Cord Construction:</b>	4 x 5 ply x 0.56 mm Dia HDPE monofilaments
<b>Colour:</b>	Black
<b>Border Finish:</b>	10 mm Roped Edge
<b>Additives:</b>	UV stabiliser
<b>Weight of netting:</b>	140 grams per sq metre.







## Carmel Curley

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**From:** Carmel Curley  
**Sent:** Wednesday 14 February 2024 10:04  
**To:** clooncaghschool@gmail.com  
**Subject:** DED 648 - Further Information Request  
**Attachments:** DED 648 - Further Information Request.pdf

Dear [REDACTED]

I refer to your DED Application Reference No: 648 – please see attached Further Information Request.

Regards,

Carmel

Carmel Curley, Assistant Staff Officer,  
Planning Department, Roscommon County Council,  
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### MAP LOCATION





Principal,  
Clooncagh National School,  
Strokestown,  
Co. Roscommon.

Date: 14<sup>th</sup> February 2024  
Ref: DED 648

Re: Application for a Declaration under Section 5 of the Planning & Development Act 2000 (as amended), regarding Exempted Development.  
Development: WHEREAS a question has arisen as to whether the erection of a boundary netting on two sides of the school yard at Clooncagh National School, Strokestown, Co. Roscommon. is or is not development and is or is not exempted development.

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A Chara,

Further to your application received on the 17<sup>th</sup> January 2024 and in order for the Planning Authority to determine as to whether the erection of a boundary netting on two sides of the school yard at Clooncagh National School, Strokestown, Co. Roscommon is or is not development or is or is not exempted development, you are requested to submit the following further information:

1. Specifications of proposed netting.
2. Suitable photographic records of similar projects as they appear when constructed.
3. Please confirm what, if any, lighting is proposed to serve the upgraded facility, and whether it will be made available for public use.

Consideration of your application is being deferred pending compliance with this request for further information. When replying please quote Planning Reference Number **DED 648**.

**Note:** Replies to this communication must be by way of original documents.

Mise le meas,



Alan O'Connell  
Senior Executive Planner,  
Planning.

cc: Sportsworld Netting Ltd,  
Aughrim,  
Scariff,  
Co. Clare.

**Planner's Report on application under  
Section 5 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended)**

<b>Reference Number:</b>	DED 648
<b>Re:</b>	Application for a Declaration under Section 5 of the Planning & Development Act, 2000, as amended, regarding Exempted Development to erect boundary netting on two sides of the school yard at Clooncagh National School, Strokestown, Co. Roscommon
<b>Name of Applicant:</b>	Clooncagh National School
<b>Location of Development:</b>	Clooncagh National School, Strokestown, Co. Roscommon
<b>Recommendation:</b>	<b>Request Further Information</b>

WHEREAS a question has arisen as to whether the following works; the erection of boundary netting on two sides of the school yard at Clooncagh National School is or is not development and is or is not exempted development.

I have considered this question, and I have had regard particularly to –

- (a) Sections 2, 3, 4 and 5 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended
- (b) Articles 6 and 9 of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001, as amended
- (c) Class 33 of Part 1 of Schedule 2 of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001 (Exempt Development – General), as amended
- (d) The record forwarded to Roscommon County Council in accordance with subsection (6)(c) of Section 5 of the Planning and Development Acts 2000 as amended.
- (e) The planning history of the site

#### **Site Location & Development of Proposal**

The subject site, which is served by Local Road L-60325, is located at Clooncagh National School c. 6km south of Strokestown town centre. The subject site comprises an astro-turf playing pitch at the rear of a national school, and the site boundaries of same. The astro-turf pitch is bounded on three sides by agricultural land. There are no European designated sites in, adjoining or in close proximity to the subject site. There is no known heritage related sites/structures in very close proximity to the subject site, as per the Roscommon County Council GIS.

#### **Planning History**

N/A

#### **Relevant statutory provisions**

##### **Planning and Development Acts 2000 (as amended)**

###### **Section 2. -(1)**

“works” includes any act or operation of construction, excavation, demolition, extension, alteration, repair or renewal and, in relation to a protected structure or proposed protected structure, includes any act or operation involving the application or removal of plaster, paint, wallpaper, tiles or other material to or from the surfaces of the interior or exterior of a structure.

###### **Section 3. -(1)**

In this Act, "development" means, except where the context otherwise requires, the carrying out of any works on, in, over or under land or the making of any material change in the use of any structures or other land.

Section 4(1) of the Act defines certain types of development as being 'exempted development'. Of potential relevance is section 4(1)(a) which provides as follows:

Development consisting of the use of any land for the purposes of agriculture and development consisting of the use for that purpose of any building occupied together with land so used;

Section 4 (2) of the Planning and Development Act provides that the Minister, by regulations, provide for any class of development to be exempted development. The principal regulations made under this provision are the Planning and Development Regulations.

#### **Planning and Development Regulations, 2001 as amended**

##### **Article 6 (1)**

Subject to article 9, development of a class specified in column 1 of Part 3 of Schedule 2 shall be exempted development for the purposes of the Act, provided that such development complies with the conditions and limitations specified in column 2 of the said Part 3 opposite the mention of that class in the said column 1.

##### Article 9 (1) applies:

Development to which article 6 relates shall not be exempted development for the purposes of the Act

viiB) comprise development in relation to which a planning authority or an Bord Pleanála is the competent authority in relation to appropriate assessment and the development would require an appropriate assessment because it would be likely to have a significant effect on the integrity of a European site,

CLASS 33 of Part 1 of Schedule 2 of the Planning & Development Regulations 2001 as amended.  
Development consisting of the laying out and use of land—

- (a) as a park, private open space or ornamental garden,
- (b) as a roadside shrine, or
- (c) for athletics or sports (other than golf or pitch and putt or sports involving the use of motor vehicles, aircraft or firearms), where no charge is made for admission of the public to the land.

Conditions & Limitations: The area of any such shrine shall not exceed 2 square metres, the height shall not exceed 2 metres above the centre of the road opposite the structure and it shall not be illuminated.

#### **Planning Assessment:**

The proposal involves the erection of netting around an existing astro turf pitch at Clooncagh National School, Strokestown. The purpose of the netting, which is to be placed along 2 no. boundaries only, is to prevent balls etc leaving the playing area. The stated materials to be used are 3 no. 10m wooden poles, stay wire, sanchors, blocks, 50mm netting, cables and fittings. It is unclear from the documentation

submitted how the as constructed works will appear once completed. I am satisfied that the proposal can be considered works that are ancillary to those set out in Class 33, as outlined above, however clarification is needed on what (if any) visual impact the proposal will have before a determination can be made so that the provisions of Article 9(1)(a)(vi) can be excluded.

**Recommendation:**

Please request the following further information:

- SPECIFICATIONS OF PROPOSED NETTING AND*
1. Please submit ~~suitable~~ a suitable photographic record of similar projects as they appear when constructed.
  2. Please confirm what, if any, lighting is proposed to serve the upgraded facility, and whether it will be made available for public use.

Signed   
Executive Planner

Date: 13<sup>th</sup> February 2024

*AdC*  
*13-2-24*









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Ros Comáin  
Roscommon  
County Council



Principal,  
Clooncagh National School,  
Strokestown,  
Co. Roscommon.

Date: 22<sup>nd</sup> January, 2024

Planning Reference: DED 648

Re: Application for a Declaration under Section 5 of the Planning & Development Act 2000 (as amended), regarding Exempted Development.  
Development: Permission to erect boundary netting on two sides of the school yard under the Planning & Development Act (Exempt Development) Regulations 2018 at Clooncagh National School, Strokestown, Co. Roscommon.

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A Chara,

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your application received on the 17<sup>th</sup> January 2024, for a Declaration under Section 5 of the Planning & Development Act 2000 (as amended), regarding Exempted Development along with the appropriate fee in the sum of €80.00, Receipt No. L01/0/226544 dated 17<sup>th</sup> January 2024, receipt enclosed herewith.

**Note:** Please note your Planning Reference No. is **DED 648**  
This should be quoted in all correspondence and telephone queries.

Mise le meas,

Tracy Davis,  
Senior Executive Planner,  
Planning Department.

cc: Sportsworld Netting Ltd,  
Aughrim,  
Scariff,  
Co. Clare.



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## **Roscommon County Council**

### **Application for a Declaration under Section 5 of the Planning & Development Act 2000, regarding Exempted Development**

Name:	Clooncagh N.S.
Telephone No : Email Address :	<div></div>
Address:	Clooncagh, Strokestown Co. Roscommon
Name & Address of Agent:	Sportsworld Netting LTD Aughrim, Scariff, Co. Clare
Nature of Proposed Works	Boundary netting on two sides of the school yard to stop balls leaving the school yard or getting stuck in the hedge from the existing astroturf pitch.
Location (Townland & O.S No.)	Clooncagh, Strokestown
Floor Area	N/A
Height above ground level	8 metres
Total area of private open space remaining after completion of this development	
Roofing Material (Slates, Tiles, other) (Specify)	3 no. 10mtr wood pole structure, stay wire, anchors, blocks, 50mm netting and cables and fittings.
Proposed external walling (plaster, stonework, brick or other finish, giving colour)	N/A
Is proposed works located at front/rear/side of existing house.	Rear of school

## Roscommon County Council



Application for a Declaration under Section 5 of the Planning & Development Act 2000  
regarding Exempted Development

Has an application been made previously for this site	No
If yes give ref. number (include full details of existing extension, if any)	
Existing use of land or structure	Boundary of school yard
Proposed use of land or structure	Boundary of school yard
Distance of proposed building line from edge of roadway	N/A
Does the proposed development involve the provision of a piped water supply	No
Does the proposed development involve the provision of sanitary facilities	No

Signature:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'J. K.', written over a horizontal line.

Date:

17/1/24

**Note:** This application must be accompanied by:-

- (a) €80 fee Receipt number: 226544.
- (b) Site Location map to a scale of 1:2500 clearly identifying the location
- (c) Site Layout plan to the scale of 1:500 indicating exact location of proposed development
- (d) Detailed specification of development proposed

Roscommon County Council  
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Receipt No. L01/0/226544

CLOONCAGH NATIONAL SCHOOL  
CLOONCAGH  
STROKESTOWN

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16. **Survey results:** The results of the survey are as follows:

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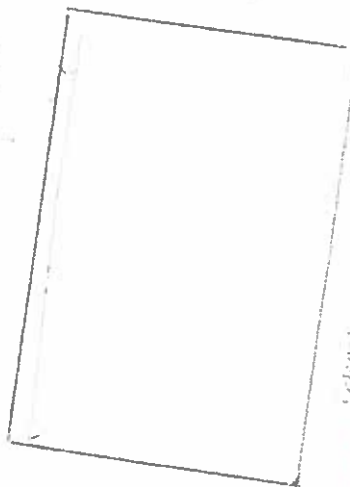
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